

# First Monday Report

Focus on Accreditation:  
Participatory Governance  
and Standard IV

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## The Pierce College Council (PCC) and The College Planning Committee (CPC): What is the difference?

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The history of the California Community College system includes AB 1725, an approved piece of legislation which directed the California Community College Board of ; cj Yfbcfg' hc' XYj Y'cd' fY[ i 'Uh]cbg' k \]W' í

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In my short tenure at Pierce College it is quite evident to me that participatory governance is vital to the life of the institution. In its decision-making processes, collaboration and inclusion of all constituent groups are the foundation of h\Y'Wc''Y[ YDj'g\UfYX' [ cj YfbUbW' dfUW]W'g"

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## vs. College Planning Committee

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making and planning. Participatory governance committees communicate ideas, concerns, and recommendations through dialogue and discussion between policy groups and back to PCC. All participatory governance committees report directly to PCC. It is the responsibility of the Pierce College Council to forward planning and decision-making recommendations to the college president for consideration. To ensure integrated planning, in its role as the overarching governance body, Pierce College Council instituted the College Planning Committee (CPC). The CPC is responsible for the development and overall planning efforts. The CPC develops the college's strategic plan, updates and publishes all timelines for college planning, reviews all college plans, and reports on progress and planning developments. Through the process of participatory governance

